



Docket No. 1095.1158/JDH

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:)
Kazuya NISHINO)
Serial No.: To be assigned) Group Art Unit: Unassigned
Filed: February 8, 2001) Examiner: Unassigned
For: ACCOUNTING METHOD)

**SUBMISSION OF CERTIFIED COPY OF PRIOR FOREIGN
APPLICATION IN ACCORDANCE
WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF 37 C.F.R. §1.55**

*Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231*

Sir:

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In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.55, the applicant submits herewith a certified copy of the following foreign application:

Japanese Patent Application No. 2000-290016

Filed: September 25, 2000.

It is respectfully requested that the applicant be given the benefit of the foreign filing date as evidenced by the certified papers attached hereto, in accordance with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. §119.

Respectfully submitted,
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Date: February 8, 2001

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**REPLY/AMENDMENT
FEE TRANSMITTAL**

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| REPLY/AMENDMENT FEE TRANSMITTAL | Attorney Docket No. | 1095.1158 | |
| | Application Number | 09/779,497 | |
| | Filing Date | February 9, 2001 | |
| | First Named Inventor | Kazuya NISHINO | |
| | Group Art Unit | 3624 | |
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FEE CALCULATION (fees effective 01/01/03)

| CLAIMS AS AMENDED | Claims Remaining After Amendment | Highest Number Previously Paid For | Number Extra | Rate | Calculations |
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| TOTAL CLAIMS | 10 | - 20 = | 0 | X \$ 18.00 = | \$ 0.00 |
| INDEPENDENT CLAIMS | 5 | - 4 = | 1 | X \$ 84.00 = | 84.00 |
| Since an Official Action set an <u>original</u> due date of <u>March 20, 2003</u> , petition is hereby made for an extension to cover the date this reply is filed for which the requisite fee is enclosed (1 month (\$110); 2 months (\$410); 3 months (\$930); 4 months (\$1,450); 5 | | | | | \$110.00 |
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SUBMITTED BY: STAAS & HALSEY LLP

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LETTER TO THE EXAMINER

**REQUESTING EXAMINER TO ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF PREVIOUSLY SUBMITTED
RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

An Amendment as a response to the Office Action mailed December 20, 2002 was timely filed on April 21, 2003, in the above-identified patent application.

However, the Examiner contacted the undersigned today June 20, 2003, and it appears that the Amendment has not been received by the USPTO and/or entered by the USPTO. The Examiner indicated that the USPTO records indicate payment of a one-month extension of time fee and claim fees in connection with this previous Amendment of April 21, 2003.

Accordingly, the Applicant submits another copy of the Amendment along with copy of a post card evidencing timely submission of the Amendment of April 21, 2003 and fees to the USPTO. The Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to acknowledge receipt and enter the Amendment filed April 21, 2003 and/or the enclosed copy of the previously submitted Amendment, as of the April 21, 2003 date.


Further, if any other fees are required in connection with the filing of the previously submitted Amendment of April 21, 2003, please charge our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

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If there are any formal matters remaining after this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attend to these matters.

Respectfully submitted,
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